



CRL OP(MD). No.16820 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 08.10.2025

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

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P.Sujith Dev

... Petitioner/Sole Accused

Vs

The State of Tamilnadu,
Rep by the Inspector of Police,
Civil Supplies – C.I.D,
Kuzhithurai Unit,
Kanniyakumari District.
(Crime No.166 of 2025)

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.C.T.Perumal

For Respondent : Mr.S.S.Manoj
Government Advocate (Crl. side)

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec.482 of BNSS

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Cr.No.166 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police.

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ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner/Accused, who apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 6(4) of Tamil Nadu Scheduled Commodities (RDCS) Order 1982 r/w. and Section 7(I)(a)(ii) of Essential Commodities Act, 1955 , in Crime No.166 of 2025, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner was in illegal possession of 240 kilograms of PDS rice (RDCS). Hence, the complaint.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. Hence, he prays for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent Police submits that five previous cases are pending against the petitioner. Therefore, he opposed for grant of anticipatory bail to the



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petitioner.

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5. Taking into consideration of the facts and circumstances of the case and also considering the nature of allegation, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.

6. Accordingly, this Petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or his appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, before the learned Judicial Magistrate No.III, Kanniyakumari, Nagercoil, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/-(Rupees Ten Thousand only) with two sureties, each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the respondent Police or to the Police Officer, who intends to arrest or to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned and on further conditions that:

(a) the petitioner and the sureties shall affix their photographs and left thumb impression in the surety bond and the Magistrate may obtain a copy of their Aadhar card or Bank pass Book to ensure their identity;

(b) the petitioner shall report before the Dean,



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Asaripallam Government Hospital, Arasipallam, Kanniyakumari and do social service in the said Hospital, daily from 10.00 a.m., to 4.00 p.m., for a period of two weeks and thereafter, report before the respondent Police as and when required for interrogation.

(c) the petitioner shall make a non refundable deposit of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) to the credit of the Headmaster, Government High School, G Udayapatty, Kulithalai, State Bank of India, Kulithalai Branch, Account No.31470991902, IFSC No.SBIN0000863, MICR Code: 639002051, without prejudice to his contentions and rights before the trial Court. On such deposit being made, the learned Judicial Magistrate shall accept the sureties furnished by the petitioner.

(d) the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;

(e) the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;

(f) on breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the learned Magistrate/ Trial Court is entitled to take appropriate action against the petitioner in accordance with law as if the



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conditions have been imposed and the petitioners released on bail by the learned Magistrate/Trial Court himself as laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in *P.K.Shaji Vs. State of Kerala [(2005) AIR SCW 5560]*; and;

(g) if the accused thereafter abscond, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of BNS 2023.

(S S Y J)
08.10.2025

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To

1. The Judicial Magistrate No.III,
Kanniyakumari, Nagercoil.
2. The Inspector of Police,
Civil Supplies – C.I.D,
Kuzhithurai Unit,
Kanniyakumari District.
3. The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.



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